

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 MAY 2011**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(BE11/0164) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance**

Senator Cash (L&CA 97) asked:

Where are the 40 Afghani asylum seekers who have had their claims rejected?

*Answer:*

As at 20 May 2011, 47 Afghan Irregular Maritime Arrival clients had received a negative merits review outcome and had not sought Judicial Review within the appeal timeframe. The clients were located in:

- an Alternative Place of Detention in Darwin
- Curtin IDC
- Northern IDC
- Maribyrnong IDC
- Perth IDC
- Scherger IDC
- Villawood IDC